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1. PRECISE WHEREABOUTS OF CAPTAIN JOSE A BRAHANTES IS NOT KNOWN TO US, BUT WE HAVE NO REASON TO BELIEVE THAT HE IS OUTSIDE OF CUBA. GIVEN HIS RANK (VICE MINISTER OF INTERIOR AND HEAD OF THE DSE), IT SEEMS HIGHLY UNLIKELY THAT HE WOULD BE ENGAGED IN A MISSION WITH SUCH PATENTLY HIGH FLAP POTENTIAL. OUR FILE ON JOYE DOES NOT INDICATE THAT HE HAS EVER USED WAR NAME "FIDEL." COMPARISON OF OUR MOST RECENT (CIRCA 1965) PHOTOGRAPH OF JOSE WITH PHOTO 169 (OF JUAN) IN MUG BOOK LEADS US TO CONCLUDE THAT JOSE AND JUAN ARE NOT IDENTICAL. PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION OF JOSE AS FOLLOWS:

THIRTY NINE YEAR OLD CAUCASIAN WITH BLACK HAIR AND EYES. DARK COMPLECTED, MEDIUM BUILD, ROUND FACE AND GENERALLY REGARDED AS HANDSOME. DIFFERENT SOURCES ESTIMATE HIS HEIGHT AND WEIGHT AS RANGING FROM FIVE FOOT SEVEN TO FIVE FOOT NINE AND FROM 140 LBS TO 175 LBS.

2. WE HAVE NO PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION OF JUAN ABRAHANTES AND CAN PROVIDE NO INFORMATION ON HIS CURRENT WHEREABOUTS.

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3. MAJOR ROLANDO C U B E L A SECADES (201-252234) WAS ARRESTED IN EARLY 1966 FOR CONSPIRING WITH CIA AGAINST THE CUBAN GOVERNMENT GENERALLY AND FIDEL CASTRO SPECIFICALLY. HIS SENTENCE WAS FOR 25 YEARS. IN THE INTERIM WE HAVE RECEIVED SEVERAL REFUGEE REPORTS TO THE EFFECT THAT CUBELA IS STILL (AS OF AUGUST 1971) IN THE LA CABANA PRISON WHERE IS WORKING AS A MEDICAL DOCTOR. WE HAVE NO PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION OF CUBELA AND HAVE NO FURTHER INFORMATION CONCERNING HIS WHEREABOUTS. HOWEVER, UNLESS THE ENTIRE ARREST AND TRIAL IN 1966 AND SUBSEQUENT IMPRISONMENT OF CUBELA WERE A TOTAL FALSE, WE INCLINED TO DOUBT THAT CUBELA WOULD BE ENTRUSTED WITH THIS SORT OF MISSION.

4. JOSE ANGEL B U S T A M A N T E O'LEARY (201-022396) WAS BORN IN JANUARY 1911 AND IS CURRENTLY A PROFESSOR PHCYOLOGY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HAVANA MEDICAL SCHOOL. IN NOVEMBER 1971, ALONG WITH FIDEL CASTRO, HE MADE CONTACT WITH CHILEAN DRUG TRAFFICERS (DIRECTOR 201184). WE HAVE NO PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AS TO BUSTAMANTE'S WHEREABOUTS, BUT ARE INCLINED TO THINK THAT HIS AGE WOULD RULE HIM OUT OF THIS SORT OF EXERCISE.

5. JACINTO V A S Q U E Z D E L A G A R Z A (201-727297) IS CUIS OFFICER MOST RECENTLY (UNTIL AT LEAST JULY 1970) WAS CUBAN

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AMBASSADOR TO THE UAR. CURRENT WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN TO US. PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION AS FOLLOWS: BORN SOMETIME BETWEEN 1927 AND 1932. CAUCASIAN WITH LIGHT BROWN HAIR WHO WEARS PRESCRIPTION GLASSES. DESCRIPTIONS OF HIS HEIGHT AND WEIGHT VARY FROM 5 FEET 6 INCHES TO 5 FEET 8 INCHES AND FROM 125 LBS TO 145 LBS.

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